

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes ☐ no ☒

Property Name: W.W. Poole House Inventory Number: M: 17-11
Address: 18501 Whites Ferry Road (MD 107) Historic district: ☐ yes ☒ no
City: Poolesville Zip Code: 20837 County: Montgomery
USGS Quadrangle(s): Poolesville
Property Owner: Casey, Betty B. et. al Trust Tax Account ID Number: 160300034868
Tax Map Parcel Number(s): P700 Tax Map Number: CT561
Project: MD 107 @ Partnership Road Agency: SHA
Agency Prepared By: SHA
Preparer's Name: Rebecca Crew Date Prepared: 09/05/2007
Documentation is presented in: MIHP Form M:17-11
Preparer's Eligibility Recommendation: ☐ Eligibility recommended ☒ Eligibility not recommended
Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G
Complete if the property is a contributing or non-contributing resource to a NR district/property:
Name of the District/Property: _____
Inventory Number: _____ Eligible: ☐ yes Listed: ☐ yes
Site visit by MHT Staff ☐ yes ☒ no Name: _____ Date: _____

Description of Property and Justification: *(Please attach map and photo)*

18501 Whites Ferry Road is an example of a cross-gabled frame farmhouse with a design influenced by the widespread popularity of the Picturesque style of Andrew Jackson Downing. The dwelling is a simplified version of the Gothic Revival, free from much decorative ornamentation. It retains the characteristic steeply pitched side-gable roof, central cross-gable, and full front porch which were stylistic elements reflecting a mid-nineteenth century construction date. As a balloon frame construction, it can be considered an example of Carpenter Gothic; it is also worth noting that its basic form is that of an I-house.

The west-facing, two-and-one-half-story, three-bay dwelling is clad in several types of siding including weatherboard, tar paper, and aluminum. The cladding has been removed from the north two bays of the second floor of the west façade. The frame front porch on the west side has a shed roof and is supported by five square posts. The porch does not have turned posts or brackets, as indicated in the 1973 Maryland Historical Trust Inventory Form for State Historic Sites Survey. The house has one two-story, gable-roof addition on the north half of the east side. A one-story addition on the south half of the east side has a shed roof. The footprint of the house is roughly square.

The windows are not original; the majority have a one-over-one configuration. One window on the north side is six-over-six.

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MHT Comments:

Jim Tauler
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

10/9/07
Date

[Signature]
Reviewer, National Register Program

10/12/07
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Louvered shutters are located on the north and south windows, but several windows only have one shutter, suggesting that other shutters are missing. The roof is covered with standing seam metal and has a box cornice. (Holiday lights remain along the outline of the roof.) The house has two interior brick stove chimneys (one at the north gable end and one at the east gable end). A metal stove pipe also extends from the one-story rear addition. The cross gable and the south gable end have rectangular louvered wood vents.

The house faces west towards a sharp turn on Whites Ferry Road, several miles east of Poolesville and north of the Y-intersection with Partnership Road. The house is approximately one-quarter mile from the road. The house is vacant and in poor condition; the surrounding 271-acre property is in active cultivation of corn. The house appears to have been occupied within the past decade due to the presence of a small satellite dish. To the east of the house are three small single-story outbuildings; the closest to the house is frame, clad in weatherboard, and has a gable roof covered in a paper patterned in a brick design. Two small shed-roofed frame buildings are further east. Other outbuildings described in the 1973 Inventory Form and shown in the accompanying photograph, including a twentieth-century block dairy barn, have been razed. To the west of the house is an artificial oval-shaped pond of approximate dimensions of 10' x 20'. It is lined with plastic and edged with rocks.

The house was built c. 1855-1865 by William Wallace Poole (1833-1899) and his wife Avilda Allnutt Poole (1834-1894). In 1855, W.W. and Avilda Poole received 65 acres of the patented "Resurvey on Hanover" as the result of Equity Case 164, recorded at JGH 2 420, vs. James N. and Robert H.C. Alnutt. In 1860, W.W. Poole received 181 acres of "Dowdens Luck/Chiswells Inheritance" from William D. Poole and wife. W.W. Poole acquired several other parcels in the 1860s and 1870s, but none as substantial as these first two. The name W.W. Poole appears twice on the Martenet and Bond map of 1865, including one location at a bend on what is now Whites Ferry Road, and the second mid-way between Poolesville and Bealsville. The 1878 Hopkins Atlas shows W.W. Poole at the Whites Ferry Road location and Wallace Poole at the latter location. Numerous other Pooles and Allnutts are listed in the vicinity on these maps, and the families remain in the area today. In 1900, following the death of W.W. Poole, Rosalie (Poole) Thomas and Nannie D. Poole sold their interest in the property to William Wallace Poole (II), as recorded in Deed Book TD Liber 12, folio 482. In 1933, William Wallace Poole (II, widower) and Virginia L. Poole (unmarried) sold the 271-acre property to Harvey J. White (rec. Liber 548, folio 305). Harvey J. White and his wife Aletha B. sold it to Millson Brandenburg in 1937 (rec. Liber 664, folio 235). In 1939, Millson and Shirley Brandenburg sold it to Emma Brandenburg (rec. Liber 733, folio 326). The following year, Emma Brandenburg sold the property to Clair and Lillian Shirey (rec. Liber 810, folio 194). In 1942, the Shireys sold it back to Emma Brandenburg (rec. Liber 868, folio 452). In 1944, she sold it to H. Clay Plummer, Rosabell Plummer, and Charles H. Rabbitt (rec. Liber 951, folio 8). In 1946, H. Clay and Rosabell Plummer and Charles H. Rabbitt sold the property to Aubrey Keith Brewer, the deed (Liber 1054, folio 160) referencing the property as the same as that in the Equity case of William W. Poole & wife vs. James N. & Robert H.C. Allnutt (Liber JGH 2, folio 420). In 1951, Mr. Brewer sold the property to Robert E. Wright and Nannie R. Wright (formerly Nannie D. Poole, an heir of W.W. and Avilda Poole) (rec. Liber 1558, folio 145). In 1955, the Wrights sold the property to Eugene B. Casey (rec. Liber 2149, folio 557). Casey died in 1986 and left the property to his widow, the current owner Betty Brown Casey. Eugene B. Casey served as the director of the Farm Credit Administration under President Franklin D. Roosevelt and later became one of the largest landowners in Montgomery County. Betty Brown Casey serves as the President of the Eugene B. Casey Foundation, which is one of the wealthiest and most active foundations in Maryland.

Significance statement

The property is not known to be associated with events that have made significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history; thus it is not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A.

The property is not associated with the lives of persons significant in our past that would qualify it as eligible for the National

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Date

Register under Criterion B. Research has not found the property to be representative of the significant contributions and accomplishments of specific individuals that have played a significant role within a defined area of American history. Although the property has been owned by families with local significance, the property does not represent the significant contributions or accomplishment of these persons.

This dwelling is an example of the Carpenter Gothic house form, but it is neither exceptionally distinctive nor does it represent the work of a master. Character-defining features such as turned porch posts and the original windows have been replaced. Other examples of central gable form remain in the Poolesville area and retain greater integrity and artistic value. Similarly, although the property retains a large acreage in continued agricultural production and has not been surrounded by development, the property does not retain the character-defining features of a late nineteenth or early twentieth-century agricultural landscape, due to the demolition of the agricultural buildings, such as the dairy barn. Therefore, the property is not eligible for the National Register under Criterion C.

The property has not been assessed for the the National Register under Criterion D.

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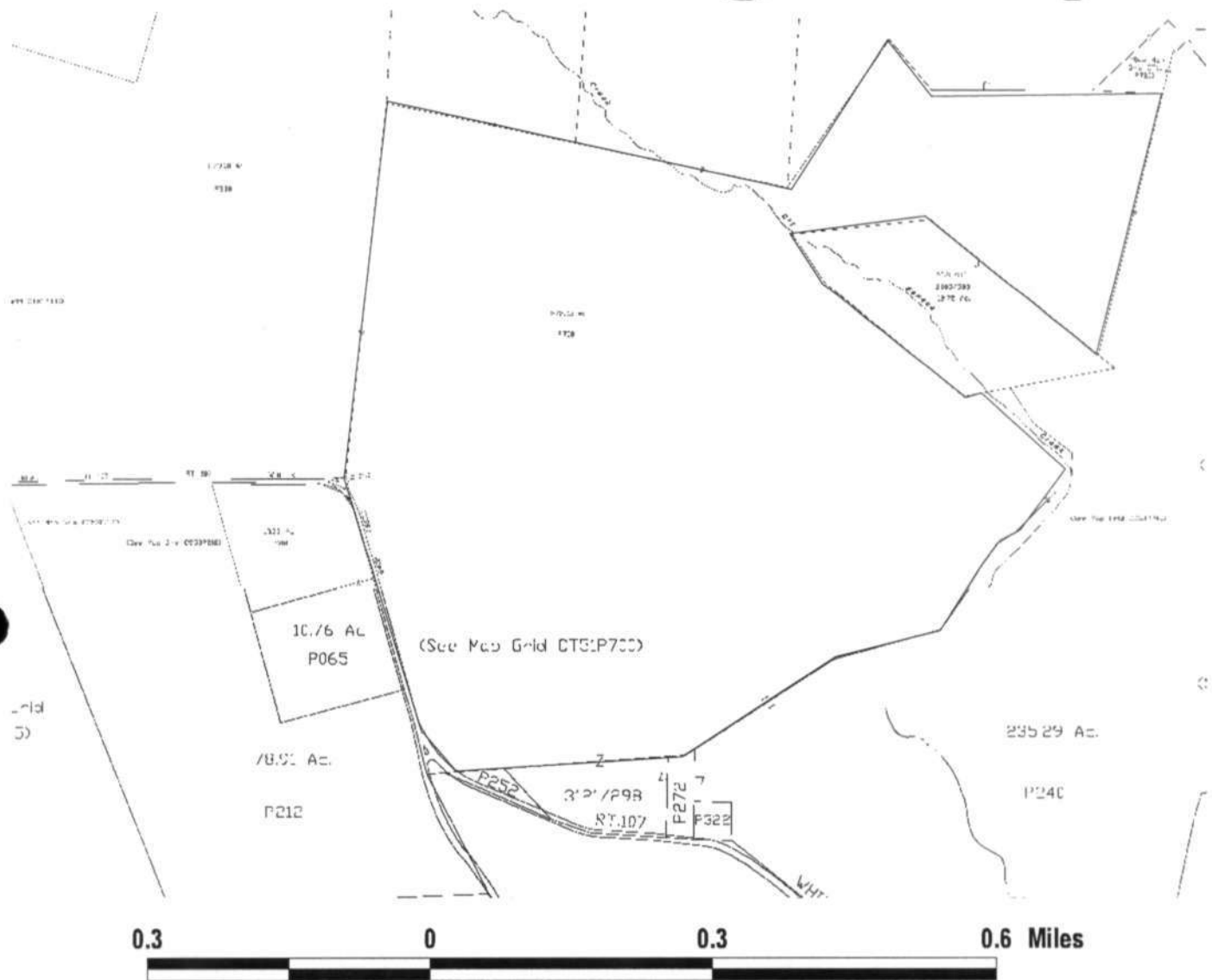
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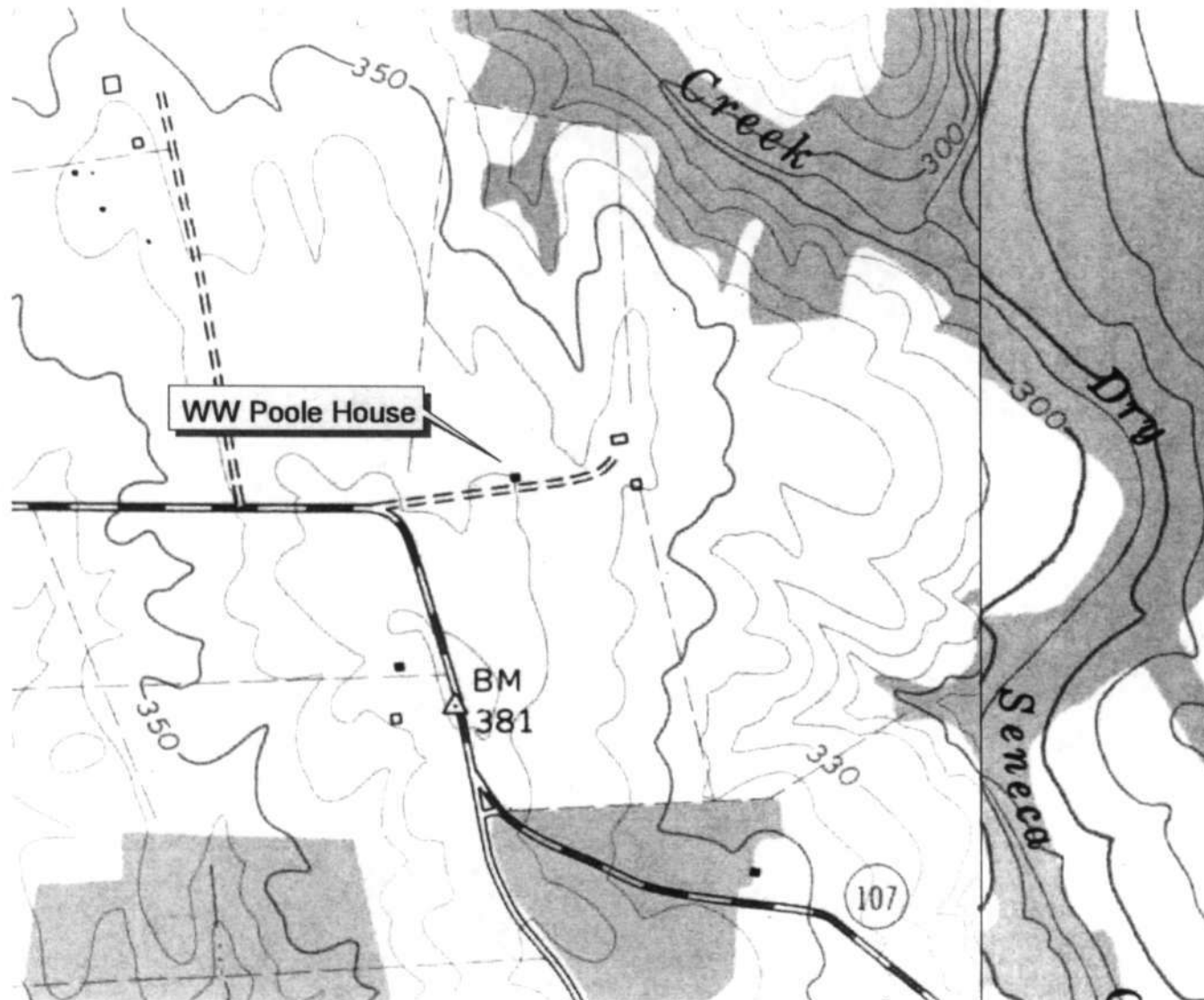


Property map

W.W. Poole House (M: 17-11)
MD 107 at Partnership Road



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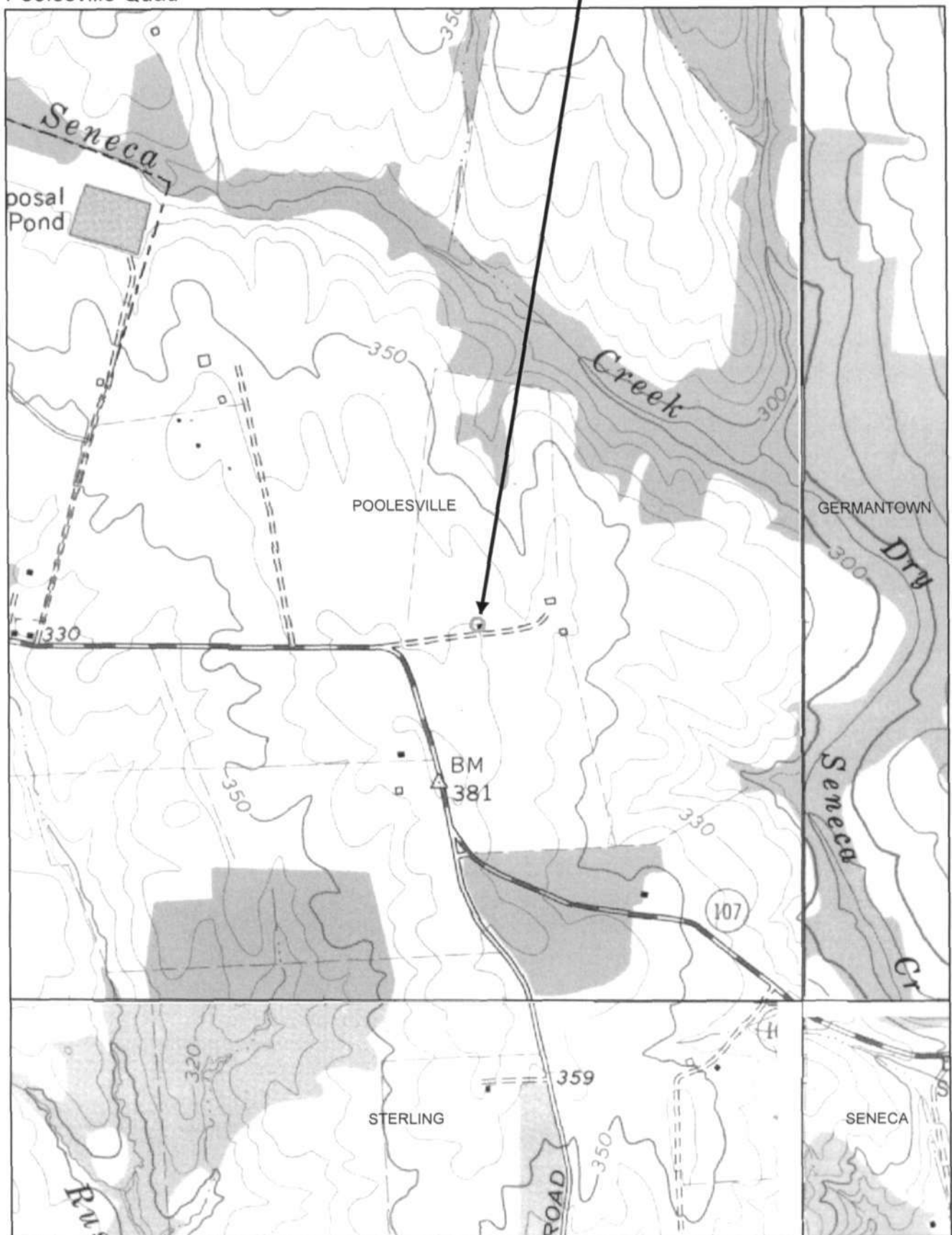
WW Poole House (M-17-11)
18501 Whites Ferry Road
Poolesville, MD
Poolesville Quad

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County

0.4 0 0.4 0.8 Miles



MO: 17-11
W.W. Poole House
18501 White's Ferry Road
Poolesville, Montgomery County
Poolesville Quad





Ms 17-11
NW Poole House
Montgomery County, MD
Rebecca Crew

9/5/07, MD SHPO

Facing E towards 007909 12/414 (5R37 11)
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11 00 M0 Y0 00 09/12/07



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WW Poole house

Montgomery Co., MD

Rebecca Crow

9/5/07, MD SHPD

Facing NE

2 of 8

007909 11/41+ <SR37 11>

10 CO NO Y0 D0 09/12/07



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NW Poole House

Montgomery Co., MD

Rebecca Crew

9/5/07, MD SHPO

NW from driveway, showing S facade

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WW Poole house
Montgomery Co, MD

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Facing NW, showing partial E facade

#4 & 8

002909 7741+ <SR37 11>



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WW Poole house

Montgomery Co., MD

Rebecca Crew

9/5/07, MD SHPO 007909 6/41+ (5R37 11)

Facing SE towards house

5 & 8

5 CO M0 Y0 D-1 09/12/07



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WW Poole house

Montgomery Co, MD

Rebecca Crew

9/5/07, MD SHPO

Facing E along N side of house

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4 CO MO Y0 D-2 09/12/07



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WV Poole House

Montgomery Co., MD

Rebecca Crew

9/5/07, MD SHPD

Facing N from driveway, showing shed and
part of E side of house

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8 00 M0 Y0 D+1 09/12/07



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Montgomery Co., MD

Rebecca Creek

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Facing NE to sheds (E of house)

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

W.W. Poole House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Rte. 107 & Fisher Ave.

CITY, TOWN

Poolesville

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Montgomery

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE
☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
☐ ACCESSIBLE
☐ YES: RESTRICTED
☒ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☒ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Eugene B. Casey

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Gaithersburg, Maryland

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

& Clarke Co., Va.

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
 REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Montgomery County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Rockville

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
 SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☒ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED
☐ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This is a typical, local frame farmhouse with some decorative elements. The main (west) facade has three bays, with a low center gable and a central doorway. The chimney is a stove-type flue on the north interior end. A one-story, open porch with turned posts and brackets spans the front of the house. Sheathing appears to be German siding. There is a two-story wing on the rear. There are some frame sheds nearby, and a 20th Century block dairy barn (abandoned.)

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This may be the house of W.W. Poole, shown in this location on the 1878 map.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION _____

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Michael F. Dwyer, Senior Park Historian

ORGANIZATION

M-NCPPC

DATE

12/4/73

STREET & NUMBER

8787 Georgia Ave.

TELEPHONE

589-1480

CITY OR TOWN

Silver Spring

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 131 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438



NAME W.W. POOLE FARM (CASEY PROP.) #17-11

LOCATION Rt. 107 AT SHARP TURN - NEAR REDDICK Rd.
POOLESVILLE, Md

FACADE W

PHOTO TAKEN 12/4/73 H. DWYER